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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK

In re Application of:

John Ernest SIMS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated January 5, 2001, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the claims of Group I (Claims 13-24, 35, and 36), Group II (claims 25-34 and 41), and Group III (Claims 31-40). Applicant elects to prosecute Group I (claims 13-24, 35, and 36).

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Respectfully submitted,

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